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SUBJECT: CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES

1. HAVE FULL REPORT ON YOUR RECENT THOROUGHGOING DISCUSSION WITH BURNETT ANDERSON AND APPRECIATE POSITIVE RESPONSE TO FRENCH INITIATIVES ON INCREASE OF CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES.
2. BELIEVE WITH YOU THAT SERIOUS GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT EXAMINATION RANGE OF ACTIVITIES AND POSSIBILITIES FOR MUTUAL REINFORCEMENT MAY OFFER BEST MEANS TOWARD THIS GOAL.
3. UNLESS YOU DMUR WE WILL NOW PROCEED ALONG FOLLOWING LINES AND WITHIN FOLLOWING COMMITMENTS.
4. PAO AND CAO WILL EXPLORE WITH PRINCIPAL FRENCH MINISTRIES INVOLVED (CULTURE, FOREIGN AFFAIRS, EDUCATION) WHETHER THIS APPROACH APPEARS REASONABLE AND UTILE TO THEM.
5. IF FRENCH RESPONSE POSITIVE WOULD PROCEED TO AGREE LIST PARTICIPANTS AND SPECIFIC AGENDA.
6. IF THESE STEPS SATISFACTORY WOULD THEN ATTEMPT FIND ACCEPTABLE DATES FOR THIS FALL, ON PREMISE U.S. SIDE PREPARED TO INVITE FRENCH PARTICIPANTS TO U.S. UNDER UNCLASSIFIED

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NORMAL PRACTICE FRENCH WOULD PAY TRANSPORTATION COSTS

BUT WOULD EXPECT BE U.S. GUESTS FOR DAYS OF MEETING.
IF FRENCH WOULD PREFER FIRST MEETING HERE WE WILL SO
INFORM YOU AND WOULD HOPE YOU WOULD BE AGREEABLE.

7. WHILE WHOLE APPROACH WOULD LOOK FORWARD TO REGULAR,
PRESUMABLY ANNUAL DISCUSSIONS, NO RPT NO COMMITMENT
WOULD BE MADE. FUTURE SUCH ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE PART
OF BUSINESS OF FIRST BI-LATERAL MEETING.

8. WE WOULD MAKE NO RPT NO COMMITMENTS ON QUESTION OF
SUPPORT TO PERFORMING ARTISTS FOR FRANCE FROM CU FUNDS
BEYOND WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS AMONG OTHER ITEMS IN
WHOLE BI-LATERAL CONTEXT.

9. CAO TANEN HAS APPOINTMENT WITH CULTURAL MINISTER'S
STAFF DIRECTOR NEXT WEEK AND WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR
NEXT MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES ALL THREE MINISTRIES
WITH HIM AND PAO.
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